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Dan Hayward
Executive Director of the Republican State Committee of Pennsylvania
112 State Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

**RE:** MUR 5636

Russ Diamond russdiamond.org

Lori Kimmel, as treasurer

Dear Mr. Hayward:

This is in reference to the complaint you filed with the Federal Election Commission on January 10, 2005, concerning Russ Diamond, russdiamond.org, and Lori Kimmel, as treasurer. Based on that complaint, on June 20, 2006, the Commission found that there was reason to believe Russ Diamond violated 2 U.S.C. § 432(e)(1), 2 U.S.C. § 433, 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and 11 C.F.R. § 101.1(a) by failing to file a Statement of Candidacy, designate and register a principal campaign committee, and file required disclosure reports, and violated 2 U.S.C. § 441i(e)(1)(A) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.3(d) by accepting prohibited transfers from his nonfederal campaign committee. The Commission also found reason to believe that russsdiamond.org and Lori Kimmel, as treasurer, violated 11 C.F.R. § 110.3(d) by making prohibited transfers to Mr. Diamond's Federal campaign. The Commission admonished the respondents and, after considering the circumstances of this matter, decided to take no further action and closed the file.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). A copy of the dispositive General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2U.S.C. §437g(a)(8).

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Zachary Mahshie

Attorney

Enclosure

General Counsel's Report